

International Consults in Medicine

Acceptable Use Policy

Introduction

This Acceptable Use Policy (AUP) sets forth the principles that govern the use by Members of the Web-based products and services provided by International Consults in Medicine (ICON) as part of its iCons in Medicine Program. This AUP is designed to help protect our Members and the Internet community-at-large from irresponsible, abusive or illegal activities.

General Violations

The term "iCon service" as used here refers collectively to all software, products, web sites or services, including updates, provided by ICON. This AUP identifies the actions that ICON considers to be Prohibited Actions. Members agree to use the ICON service for lawful purposes and in compliance with all applicable laws, rules and regulations. Members agree that the following actions are Prohibited Actions which may result in suspension of Membership privileges:

A. Prohibited Actions:

- Copying or otherwise duplicating any iCon service or creating subsets or derivative databases from the iCon database, except for personal use only.
- Assigning, selling or passing along any iCon service.
- Publishing or otherwise disseminating any iCon service or creating subsets or derivative databases from the iCon database for commercial use or sale.
- Providing services for a fee using any iCon service or any subsets or derivatives thereof.
- Allowing data from the iCon service to be made available to others.
- Downloading any portion of any iCon service onto any electronic storage media or distributing or transferring the iCon database or Search Results in any form (printed, electronically relayed, posted to public list services or bulletin boards, or magnetically stored) to, or for the benefit, of others.
- Distributing passwords and/or access codes without prior written authorization
- Uploading to or transmitting on the iCon service any defamatory, indecent, obscene, harassing, violent or otherwise objectionable material, or any material that is, or may be, protected by copyright, without permission from the copyright owner.
- Using the iCon service to violate the legal rights (including the rights of publicity and privacy) of others or to violate the laws of any jurisdiction.
- Misrepresenting the credentials of any person and/or an affiliation with any person or organization.
- Collecting information about others (including e-mail addresses) without their consent.
- Downloading or uploading a file or software or including in a message any software, files or links that you know, or have reason to believe, cannot be distributed legally over any iCon service or that you have a contractual obligation to keep confidential (notwithstanding its availability on any iCon service).
- Using the service in a way that harms us or our affiliates or partners, or any patients or employees of an ICON party.
- Using any manual process to monitor or copy any of the material on this site or for any other unauthorized purpose without the prior written consent of ICON.
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B. Prohibited Actions: Impersonation/Forgery

- Adding, removing or modifying identifying network header information (aka "spoofing") in an effort to deceive or mislead.
- Attempting to impersonate any person by using forged headers or other identifying information.

C. Prohibited Actions: Network unfriendly activity

- Any activities that may adversely affect the ability of other Members to use iCons in Medicine services or the Internet are prohibited. This includes "denial of service" attacks against the iCons in Medicine servers, network hosts or individual user.

D. Prohibited Actions: Commercial / Improper e-mail

- Sending unsolicited commercial e-mail.
 - Using an iCons in Medicine e-mail or Website address to distribute commercial e-mail is prohibited.
- Sending large volumes of unsolicited e-mail (aka "mail bombing").
- Intercepting or attempting to intercept electronic mail not intended for you.

E. Prohibited Actions: Access control and Authentication

- Attempting to circumvent user authentication or security of any host, network, or account (aka "cracking"). This includes, but is not limited to, accessing data not intended for the customer, logging into a server or account the customer is not expressly authorized to access, or probing the security of iCons in Medicine servers and networks.

F. Prohibited Actions: Proxy Hunters, Spiders, Robots, Viruses

- Using any program, script, command, robot, BOT, spider, periodic caching of information stored by ICON, "meta-searching" or sending messages of any kind designed to interfere with a User's session by any means, locally or by the Internet.
- Uploading or otherwise transmitting files that contain a virus or corrupted data;

Enforcement

International Consults in Medicine reserves the right to monitor Internet access to the iCons in Medicine Program services by Member(s) as part of the normal course of its business practice. Should ICON discover any Member(s) engaged in Prohibited Actions as outlined above, ICON reserves the right to temporarily suspend Member access to the iCons in Medicine Program Host Server and/or iCon database. ICON shall make written/electronic notification to Member point of contact of any temporary suspension, and the cause thereof, as soon as reasonably possible. This temporary suspension will remain in effect until the Prohibited Actions have ceased.